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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Box Fee Amendment
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Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated January 4, 2001. Claims 10-16, 25, 30, 35 and 38-43 are currently under examination. A three-month extension of time accompanies this response, extending the time to respond from April 4, 2001 to July 5, 2001, since July 4, 2001 is a national holiday.

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